

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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OE/2 Minutes of the Northern Ireland Executive

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1	Monday 31 Dec. 1973	Minutes of preliminary meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive – <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Confidentiality2. Code of Conduct3. Titles of members4. Meetings5. Conduct of Business6. Legislative Business7. Security8. Vote of Confidence
1A	Tuesday 8 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive – <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Political situation2. Vote of Confidence Debate3. Standing Orders and Seating4. Relations with the Republic of Ireland5. Administration Survey
2	Tuesday 15 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Consultative Committees of the Assembly (EXMEMO 5/74)2. Revision of Standing Orders (EXMEMO 2/74)3. Collective responsibility and Executive decisions (EXMEMO 4/74)4. Northern Ireland Information and Promotions Council (EXMEMO 3/74)5. Statement of social and economic aims6. Relations with the Republic of Ireland7. The energy situation

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3	Thursday 17. Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Chief Minister's meeting with Taoiseach2. Deputations etc.3. Legislative programme (EXMEMO 6/74)4. Vote of Confidence5. Speaker's House6. Security7. Seating in the Assembly8. Council of Ireland (EXMEMO 1/74)
4	Tuesday 22 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Northern Ireland Information and Promotions Council (EXMEMO 3/74)2. Further discussion of arrangements for debate on vote of confidence3. Council of Ireland (EXMEMO 1/74)4. Gas and electricity compensation measure (EXMEMO 7/74)5. Obelisk in Bogside6. Ministers' programmes
5	Thursday 24 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Northern Ireland Construction Industry Advisory Council (EXMEMO 8/74)2. Possible Department of Legal Affairs (EXMEMO 9/74)3. Legislative programme4. The political situation

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6	Monday 28 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Council of Ireland2. Executive representation (EXMEMO 13/74)3. Economic Council4. Bogside obelisk
7	Thursday 31 Jan. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Niedermayer case2. Council of Ireland (EXMEMO 17/74)3. Vote of Confidence Debate
8	Tuesday 5 Feb. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Civil disobedience campaign (EXMEMO 10/74)2. Financial provisions measure (EXMEMO 18/74)3. Appointments to statutory committees and boards (EXMEMO 11/74)4. Gas and electricity compensation measure (EXMEMO 19/74)5. Company law reform – Murray report (EXMEMO 12/74)6. Economic Council (EXMEMO 15/74)7. Admission charges to Ulster Museum (EXMEMO 16/74)8. Solicitors' measure (EXMEMO 14/74)9. Minister of Commerce – visit to Brussels

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9	Tuesday 12 Feb. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Solicitors' measure (EXMEMO 14/74 and 23/74) 2. Control of public expenditure (EXMEMO 20/74) 3. Special payments to recipients of supplementary benefit and family income (EXMEMO 21/74) 4. Law Reform (Limitation of actions) measure (EXMEMO 22/74) 5. Report by Social and Economic Planning (SEP) Management Group (EXMEMO 24/74) 6. Report of Committee of Privileges (EXMEMO 25/74) 7. Visit to Germany by Minister of Commerce 8. Election day 9. Home helps – pay differentials
10	Tuesday 5 Mar. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scrutiny of statutory rules (EXMEMO 26/74) 2. Possible legislation about divorce (EXMEMO 27/74) 3. Law Reform (limitation of actions) measure 4. Gas and electricity compensation measure 5. Political situation
11	Thursday 7 Mar. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of Social and Economic Planning (SEP) Management Group (EXMEMO 24/74) 2. Loyalist rally on Saturday 9 March 1974

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12	Tuesday 12 Mar. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of Social and Economic Planning (SEP) Management Group (resumed) 2. Amendment to motion standing in the names of Mr Craig and others 3. Assembly matters 4. New rate rebate scheme (EXMEMO 31/74) 5. Regional rate for 1974/1975 (EXMEMO 32/74)
13	Tuesday 19 Mar. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fair employment legislation (EXMEMO 37/74) 2. Private interests of ministers (EXMEMO 35/74) 3. Bed and soil of Lough Neagh (EXMEMO 29/74) 4. Nursery education (EXMEMO 30/74) 5. Public service pension increases (EXMEMO 40/74) 6. Visit of Regional Committee of European Parliament 7. Security
14	Tuesday 26 Mar. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional public cleansing scheme (EXMEMO 33/74) 2. The 'Spruce-Up' campaign (EXMEMO 38/74) 3. Community Relations Commission (EXMEMO 44/74) 4. May Day – Public holiday (EXMEMO 39/74) 5. Prohibition of rent increases under counter-inflation act 1973 (EXMEMO 41/74) 6. Weights and measures (containers) bill (EXMEMO 36/74) 7. Proposed legislation at Westminster on prices (EXMEMO 43/74) 8. Social Security uprating and Social Security consolidation (EXMEMO 42/74) 9. Security checks on incoming Civil Servants

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15	Tuesday 2 Apr. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Business of the Assembly 2. Community Relations Commission (EXMEMO 51/74) 3. Proposed measure to set up a Department of Legal Affairs (EXMEMO 46/74) 4. Report on Youth Employment Service (EXMEMO 48/74) 5. Continuing education (EXMEMO 49/74) 6. Social Security (EXMEMO 50/74) 7. City centre traders (EXMEMO 47/74) 8. Central Consumer Group (EXMEMO 45/74) 9. Civil disobedience 10. Chief Minister's visit to London
16	Tuesday 9 Apr. 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proposed measure for dealing with defective premises (EXMEMO 52/74) 2. Trades' Disputes and Trade Unions Act (NI) 1927 – The Political Levy Issue (EXMEMO 53/74) 3. Report of review body on industrial relations (EXMEMO 54/74) 4. Agriculture (miscellaneous provisions) proposed measure (EXMEMO 55/74) 5. Cross Channel shipping service: possible closure of Heysham Link (EXMEMO 56/74) 6. Repairs to houses following bomb explosions (EXMEMO 57/74) 7. Diseases of animals (amendment) proposed measure (EXMEMO 58/74) 8. Bank staff dispute 9. Gas supplies - Londonderry

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17	Tuesday 23 Apr. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Business of the Assembly (EXMEMO 59/74)2. All Ireland Road Safety Congress (EXMEMO 60/74)3. Road measure (1974) (EXMEMO 61/74)4. Social Security (EXMEMO 62/74)5. Proposed licensing measure (EXMEMO 63/74)
18	Tuesday 30 Apr. 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Pensions (increase) measure (EXMEMO 66/74)2. Agriculture (miscellaneous provisions) measure (EXMEMO 67/74)3. Proposed statement by Minister of Education (EXMEMO 65/74)4. Social and Economic Planning (SEP) – Synopsis of departmental proposals (EXMEMO 64/74)
19	Tuesday 7 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Report of the Law Enforcement Commission2. The Sunningdale Agreement (EXMEMO 77/74)

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20	Wednesday 8 May 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harland & Wolff Ltd (EXMEMOS 78/74 and 79/74) 2. Siting of the Western Education and Library Board Headquarters (EXMEMO 68/74) 3. Social Security – Family Income supplements (EXMEMO 69/74) 4. Ulster American Exposition and Folk Park at Camphill, near Omagh (EXMEMO 70/74) 5. Proposed Reserved Measures in Assembly (EXMEMO 71/74) 6. Measure on the Tattooing of Minors (EXMEMO 72/74) 7. Civil Liability for Animals (EXMEMO 73/74) 8. Licensing Measure (EXMEMO 74/74) 9. Reorganisation of secondary education (EXMEMO 75/74) 10. Proposed Valuation (Amendment) Measure (EXMEMO 76/74) 11. Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure (EXMEMO 80/74) 12. Assembly members Travelling Allowances (EXMEMO 81/74)
21	Monday 13 May 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sunningdale – Council of Ireland (EXMEMO 84/74) 2. Statement by the Minister
22	Tuesday 14 May 1974	<p>Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sunningdale – Assembly Motion 2. Sunningdale – Council of Ireland

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23	Friday 17 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sunningdale – Report of Executive sub-committee (EXMEMO 89/74)2. Detainees after release (EXMEMO 86/74)3. Political levy issue (EXMEMO 83/74)4. Reorganisation of Secondary Education (EXMEMO 75/74 with addition)5. Civil Disobedience – collection charges (EXMEMO 93/74)6. Emergency petrol depots
24	Monday 20 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Situation reports2. Statement by Secretary of State3. Social Security benefits – payment of flat rate4. Sunningdale – Council of Ireland
25	Tuesday 21 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Emergency situation2. Sunningdale – draft statement
26	Wednesday 22 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sunningdale – issue of agreed statement
27	Wednesday 22 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The oil contingency plan2. Situation report by the Minister of Agriculture3. Joint Standing Committee of Ministers

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28	Thursday 23 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The oil contingency plan2. Assembly business3. Executive business of 21 May 1974 Also contains following: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Private interests of Ministers (EXMEMO 90/74)2. Legislation on public lending right (EXMEMO 87/74)3. A proposed amendment to the solicitors' measure (EXMEMO 88/74)4. Diseases of animals (amendment) measure (EXMEMO 91/74)5. Roads measure 1974 (EXMEMO 92/74)
29	Thursday 23 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Meeting with representatives of industry, commerce, the farmers and trade unions
30	Friday 24 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Meeting at Chequers
31	Monday 27 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The emergency situation
32	Tuesday 28 May 1974	Meeting of the Northern Ireland Executive <u>Topics discussed</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The emergency situation

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SECRETARY OF STATE'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FILES, 1974

SOSEC/1/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
1	10 July 1974	<p>Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.</p> <p>Topics discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Economic Council 2. Co-ordination and Communication 3. Rationalisation of Pay Rates of former Local Government Industrial Workers 4. Social and Economic Planning 	74/33
2	19 July 1974	<p>Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.</p> <p>Topics discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harland & Wolff 2. Social and Economic Planning 	74/34
3	24 July 1974	<p>Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.</p> <p>Topics discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Co-ordination of Public Relations 2. Regional Physical Development Strategy 3. Poleglass/Lagmore Development Plan 4. Mobility: Proposals for Additional Assistance under the Resettlement Grants Act (NI) 1971 	74/35

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SOSEC/1/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
4	23 Aug. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. The Northern Ireland Economy: Prospects for the Coming Year	74/36
5	28 Aug. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Shared Schools	74/37
6	11 Sep. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Belfast Urban Motorway	74/38
7	17 Sep. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Belfast Urban Motorway 2. Harland and Wolff Ltd – Offsetting Expenditure Cuts 3. Diseases of Animals (NI) Order 1974	74/39

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SOSEC/1/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
8	16 Oct. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Government and the Community: Co-ordination and Priorities	74/40
9	4 Nov. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Contacts with MPs and Assemblymen: Public Appearances by Officials 2. Belfast Urban Area Plan: Belfast Transportation Plan 3. Proposed Legislation on Gas 4. Proposal for a Draft Financial Provisions Order 5. Proposal for a Draft Youth Employment Service Order	74/41
10	19 Nov. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Horse racing 2. Selective employment Premium 3. Publicity	74/42

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SOSEC/1/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
11	27 Nov. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Proposed Diseases of Animals (Amendment) Order 2. Proposed Order to Provide: Power for District Councils to vest land for Recreation Purposes 3. Proposed Housing Order 4. Proposed Transport Order	74/43
12	2 Dec. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Social and Economic Planning	74/44
13	3 Dec. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Social and Economic Planning – (resumed discussion) 2. Artificial Reproduction of animals Proposed Order-in-Council 3. Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) 4. Solicitors Proposed Order-in-Council	74/45

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SOSEC/1/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
14	9 Dec. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Transport General Review 2. Public Transport Finance 3. Concessionary Fares	74/46
15	13 Dec. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Insurance Companies (Consolidation) Proposed Order in Council 2. Industrial Relations Proposed Order in Council 3. Housing Executive Rents 4. Public Transport Finance 5. Concessionary Fares 6. Transport Legislation	74/47
16	16 Dec. 1974	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle. Topics discussed: 1. Local Government Review	74/48